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Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated February 6, 2007, Applicant elects Species I, Fig. 1, without traverse. Applicant submits that claims 1, 3 and 5 read on the elected species.

A prompt and favorable Office Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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